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ON PARIS JOINT COMMUNIQUE

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1. THIS MESSAGE TRANSMITS AN UNOFFICIAL EMBASSY TRANSLATION  
OF THE FULL TEXT OF RELEVANT PORTIONS OF THE BOOKLET  
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INFORMATION CONTAINING THE TEXT OF THE PARIS JOINT COMMUNIQUE AND AN EXPOSITION OF THE COMMUNIQUE FROM THE GVN POINT OF VIEW ( SEE REFTTEL FOR SUMMARE AND COMMENT). THE TWENTY- FIVE PAGE BOOKLET IS IN FIVE PARTS: INTRODUCTION; FULL TEXT; ANALYSIS; ASSESSMENT; AND CONCLUSIONS, PART II, FULL TEXT, IS OMITTED FROM THIS MESSAGE.

2. TEXT: REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, GENERAL COMMISSION FOR NATIONAL INFORMATION: ANALYSIS AND COMMENTARY OF JUNE 13 JOINT COMMUNIQUE. PART I: INTRODUCTION.

3. THE JAN 27, 1973 PARIS AGREEMENT BROUGHT ABOUT AN END, OR THE BEGINNING OF THE END, OF THE WAR OF COMMUNIST AGGRESSION THAT HAS DRAGGED ON FOR NEARLY 20 YEARS AND WHICH HAS CAUSED SO MUCH GRIEF AND SUFFERING FOR THE PEOPLE; ( THE AGREEMENT) WAS ALSO THE BEGINNING OF A NEW ERA IN WHICH THE PEOPLE OF SVN HAV ACHIEVED A BASIS FOR PEACE, AND JOINING TOGETHER CAN SOLVE THEIR INTERNAL PROBLEMS BY IMPLEMENTING THE RIGHT OF SELF- DETERMINATION THROUGH A FREE, DEMOCRATIC ELECTION UNDER INTERNATIONAL SUPERVISION.

4. HOWEVER, TO DATE-- MORE THAN FOUR MONTHS SINCE THE CEASE-FIRE WENT INTO EFFECT-- THE COMMUNISTS STILL SYSTEMATICALLY VIOLATE THE AGREEMENT, WITH MORE THAN 16,000 VIOLATIONS SO FAR. THE COMMUNISTS HAVE STUBBORNLY REFUSED TO OBSERVE THE MILITARY CLAUSES RELATED TO AN IN- PLACE CEASEFIRE; THEY HAVE PARALYZED THE ACTIVITIES OF THE ICCS.

5. MORE IMPORTANT, THE COMMUNISTS HAVE SABOTAGED THE PEOPLE' S PEACE BY REFUSING TO ACCEPT FREE AND DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS. THEY STILL STUBBORNLY DEMAND ABSURD CONDITIONS CONTRARY TO THE AGREEMENT, AND HAVE BROUGHT THE LA CELLE-ST. CLOUD BILATERAL MEETINGS TO A DEADLOCK, THUS DISSOLVING HOPE FOR AN ACTUAL AND LASTING PEACE WHICH THE PEOPLE OF VN CRAVE.

6. FACED WITH THIS STUBBORN ATTITUDE OF THE COMMUNIST AGGRESSORS, WHO DO NOT RESPECT THE AGREEMENT THEY SOLEMNLY SIGNED AND GUARANTEED, THE USG, WITH THE AGREEMENT OF THE RVN, HAS FORCED THE NVN COMMUNISTS TO SIT DOWN TO RECONSIDER THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT AND TO DEVISE MEASURES

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TO IMPLEMENT CORRECTLY THE CEASEFIRE IN- PLACE AND TO EFFECT THE EXERCISE OF THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE OF SVN TO SELF- DETERMINATION.

7. THESE MEETINGS TOOK PLACE FROM MAY 17 UNTIL JUNE 13, 1973; AND ON THIS LAST DATE, THE SIGNATORIES OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT

RELEASED THE FOLLOWING JOINT COMMUNIQUE: ( PART II, FULL TEXT, OMITTED).

8. PART III: ANALYSIS: THE JUNE 13, 1973 PARIS JOINT COMMUNIQUE, SIGNED BY THE FOUR PARTIES ( THE RVN, THE US, NVN AND THE NLF), INCLUDES 14 POINTS. ITS CONTENT IS BOTH MILITARY AND POLITICAL. POINTS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 AND 11 DEAL WITH MILITARY MATTERS; POINTS 9 AND 10 DEAL WITH POLITICAL MATTERS.

9. IN ADDITION:

- POINT 8 DEALS WITH THE RESTITUTION OF CAPTURED PERSONNEL;
- POINT 12 SPEAKS OF THE ICCS;
- POINT 13 DEALS WITH THE KHMER REPUBLIC AND LAOTIAN KINGDOM;
- POINT 14 DEALS WITH THE ECONOMIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE US AND NVN.

10. THE OPENING AND CONCLUSION OF THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE AS USUAL STATE THE MUTUAL AGREEMENT OF ALL PARTIES.

11. IN THE MILITARY RESPECT, THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE REFERS TO:

- CESSATION OF US AERIAL RECCE OVER THE TERRITORY OF NVN ( POINT 1);
- MINE CLEARING BY THE US ( POINT 2); ANKN THE REAL CEASEFIRE BETWEEN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE TWO SIDES IN SVN IN PURSUANCE OF ORDER FROM THE HIGH COMMAND OF EACH SIDE ( POINT 3);
- COMBAT FORCES OF BOTH SOUTH VIETNAMESE SIDES SHOULD REMAIN IN THEIR OWN POSITIONS;
- FORBIDDING THE ARMED FORCES TO PATROL, ATTACK, TERRORIZE, LAUNCH OPERATIONS, ETC... ( POINT 4 B);
- THE DELIMITATION OF ZONES OF GARRISONING ( VUNG TRU QUAN) OF EACH SIDE, BY THE TWO- PARTY JOINT MILITARY COMMISSION ( POINT 5);
- THE MEETING OF THE COMMANDERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF BOTH

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SIDES TO AGREE ABOUT QUESTIONS OF SUPPLY, MEDICAL AID, ETC... ( POINT 6);

- THE FIXING OF EARH POINTS ( POINT 7);
- THE FUNCTIONING OF THE TWO- PARTY JOINT MILITARY COMMISSION.

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12. FROM THE POLITICAL ASPECT, THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE REITERATES PARA 11 OF CHAPTER IV OF THE JAN 27, 1973 PARIS AGREEMENT OUTLINING A FOUNDATION FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF SOUTH VIETNAM'S INTERNAL POLITICS BY SERIOUSLY IMPLEMENTING THE PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO SELF- DETERMINATION THROUGH A FREE AND DEMOCRATIC GENERAL ELECTION UNDER INTERNATIONAL SUPERVISION:

- REALIZATION OF NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AND CONCORD;
- GUARANTEE OF RIGHTS OF FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY ( POINT 9);
- PRINCIPLE OF THE PEOPLE'S RIGHTS TO SELF- DETERMINATION ( POINT 10 A);
- ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NATIONAL RECONCILIATION

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TION AND CONCORD WITHIN 45 DAYS AS OF THE DATE OF SIGNING THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE ( POINT 10 B);

- GENERAL ELECTION ( POINT 10 C);

- DEMOBILIZATION OF TROOPS AND RESTORATION OF CIVILIAN LIFE TO THE DEMOBILIZED PERSONNEL ( POINT 10 D).

13. OTHER POINTS:

- CONTINUATION OF EXCHANGING CAPTURED PERSONNEL ( POINT 8 A);
- EXCHANGE OF CAPTURED CIVILIAN PERSONNEL WITHIN 45 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF SIGNING THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE ( POINT 8 B);
- VISIT TO DETENTION CAMPS BY THE RED CROSS ( POINT 8 C);
- SEARCH FOR MISSING PERSONNEL AND GRAVES IN BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM ( POINT 8 D);
- OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES FOR THE ICCS ( POINT 12);
- REITERATION OF PARA 20 OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT RELATING TO THE KHMER REPUBLIC AND TO THE KINGDOM OF LAOS ( POINT 13);
- RESUMPTION OF ECONOMIC NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN US AND NVN ( POINT 14).

14. NOTEWORTHY POINTS:

- 1) THIS IS A JOINT COMMUNIQUE SIGNED BY FOUR PARTIES, NOT BETWEEN US AND NVN ALONE;
- 2) SIGNATURE BLOCKS ARE ON TWO SEPARATE PAGES - ONE FOR THE RVN AND US, AND THE OTHER FOR NVN AND NLF. THIS SAME PROCEDURE WAS APPLIED IN THE SIGNING OF THE JAN 24, 1973 PARIS AGREEMENT.
- 3) THIS JOINT COMMUNIQUE REVOKES NO PROVISIONS OF THE JAN 27 PARIS AGREEMENT AND THE PROTOCOLS.

15. PART IV, ASSESSMENT :

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THE JUNE 13, 1973 PARIS JOINT COMMUNIQUE IS NEITHER A NEW AGREEMENT NOR A NEW ACCORD ON THE CEASEFIRE IN VN. ON THE CONTRARY, IT IS AN ENUMERATION OF MEASURES AIMING AT COMPELLING THE COMMUNISTS TO OBSERVE IN- PLACE CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT, TO STRICTLY IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT AND ITS PROTOCOLS ON THE IN- PLACE CEASEFIRE, AND TO RESPECT THE  
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RIGHT OF SELF- DETERMINATION OF THE SVN PEOPLE.

16. AS WAS STATED IN THE ANALYSIS, BESIDES QUESTIONS RELATING SOLELY TO THE USA AND NVN, THESE MEASURES ARE MILITARY AND POLITICAL.

17. MILITARILY, THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE REMINDS THE TWO SIDES IN SVN TO OBSERVE WHAT WAS STIPULATED IN THE JAN 27, 1973 PARIS AGREEMENT. IF THE COMMUNISTS STRICTLY OBSERVED THE MILITARY POINTS OF THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE, THEY WOULD:

- IMMEDIATELY STOP VIOLATIONS;
- STOP MILITARY LAND- GRABBING OPERATIONS AND OPERATIONS TO SEIZE PEOPLE;
- DELINEATE TOGETHER WITH US CONTROLLED ZONES ( VUNG KIEM SOAT) AND PROCEDURES FOR TROOP STATIONING ( THE THUC TRU QUAN);
- IMMEDIATELY TAKE MEASURES TO AVOID COMBAT AND TO SECURE FOOD SUPPLIES AND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE;
- OBSERVE PROVISIONS ON THE ONE- BY- ONE REPLACEMENT OF WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION THROUGH PORTS OF ENTRY AS STIPULATED BY THE PROTOCOLS;
- NOT HINDER THE ICCS FROM PERFORMING ITS DUTIES;
- IMMEDIATELY COORDINATE THEIR CELLS IN THE AREAS AS STIPULATED BY THE PROTOCOL ( PHOI TRI NGAY CAO TO CUA...) ( SIC).

18. IN SUM, THE COMMUNISTS MUST STRICTLY IMPLEMENT THE ABOVEMENTIONED PROVISIONS AND THEY ARE NOT ALLOWED TO IMPOSE IRRATIONAL PRE- CONDITIONS, BECAUSE THEY MUST ACT ON THE PRINCIPLE OF UNANIMITY WITH US. THIS MEANS THAT ALL DECISIONS MUST BE TAKEN UNANIMOUSLY BY THE TWO SIDES IF THEY ARE TO BE EFFECTIVE.

19. WE CLEARLY REALIZE THAT THE PRESENT JOINT COMMUNIQUE HAS REJECTED ALL COMMUNIST ARGUMENTS MAINTAINING THERE ARE TWO CLEARLY- DEFINED AREAS OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND POLITICAL CONTROL, BECAUSE THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE ONLY REFERS TO THE AREAS UNDER THE TEMPORARY CONTROL OF THE COMMUNISTS IN THE MILITARY SENSE; PENDING CONCLUSION OF A POLITICAL SOLUTION FOR THE SOUTH.

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20. WITH REGARD TO POLITICAL MATTERS, THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE CONFIRMS THAT CHAPTER 4 OF THE PARIS PEACE AGREEMENT IS STILL THE FOUNDATION FOR A POLITICAL SOLUTION FOR SOUTH VIETNAM. THIS MEANS THAT THE TWO SOUTH VIETNAMESE PARTIES MUST PROVIDE FOR HOLDING GENERAL ELECTIONS BEFORE IMPLEMENTING THE FOLLOWING CLAUSES:

- 1) ACHIEVE NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AND CONCORD, AND ENSURE DEMOCRATIC LIBERTIES FOR THE PEOPLE;
- 2) ESTABLISH THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AND CONCORD CONSISTING OF THREE EQUAL SEGMENTS.
- 3) SETTLE THE QUESTION OF THE ARMED FORCES.

21. THUS THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE REJECTS THE ILLOGICAL CONDITIONS  
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PUT FORTH BY THE COMMUNISTS ACCORDING TO WHICH THE ENSURING OF DEMOCRATIC LIBERTIES AND THE IMMEDIATE FORMATION OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AND CONCORD MUST BE ACHIEVED BEFORE HOLDING GENERAL ELECTIONS. ACCORDING TO THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE, THE PROBLEMS DEALING WITH DEMOCRATIC LIBERTIES OF THE PEOPLE MUST BE BASED ON THE CLAUSES PROVIDED FOR IN CHAPTER 4 OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT, AND THEY STILL DEPEND ON HOW SERIOUSLY THE COMMUNISTS HONOR THE CEASEFIRE IN PLACE; AND THE FORMATION OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AND CONCORD MUST BE BASED ON THE CLAUSES SPECIFIED IN CHAPTER 4 OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT; AND THIS STILL DEPENDS ON PROVIDING FOR A FREE AND DEMOCRATIC GENERAL ELECTION IN THE SOUTH.

22. THUS, WE CAN SEE THAT THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE DOES NOT REVISE THE PARIS PEACE AGREEMENT OR THE PROTOCOLS. ON THE CONTRARY, THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE CONFIRMS THE FOLLOWING FACTS:

- 1) COMMUNIST CONTROLLED AREAS ARE THOSE AREAS TEMPORARILY CONTROLLED BY THE COMMUNISTS IN THE MILITARY SENSE;
- 2) COMMUNIST NORTH VIETNAM'S INFILTRATION INTO THE SOUTH MUST

CEASE, AND THE INFILTRATORS MUST WITHDRAW TO THE NORTH IN ACCORDANCE WITH POINT 8;

3) NORTH VIETNAMESE TROOPS MUST SPEEDILY PULL OUT OF LAOS AND THE KHMER REPUBLIC;

4) THE POLITICAL SOLUTION FOR THE SOUTH MUST BE AN OVERALL SOLUTION, WITH ALL POLITICAL CLAUSES CLOSELY INTERWOVEN;

5) THERE IS IN THE SOUTH ONLY ONE GOVERNMENT AND ONE ARMY AS STIPULATED IN THE 1954 GENEVA ACCORD. THEY ARE THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM AND THE ARMED FORCES OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM.

23. PART V: CONCLUSIONS: THROUGH MANY YEARS OF HEROIC FIGHTING, WITH THE SACRIFICE OF LIVES AND PROPERTY OF THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE PEOPLE, CHERISHED PEACE WAS ACHIEVED BY THE PARIS AGREEMENT SIGNED ON JANUARY 27, 1973.

24. HOWEVER, THE NVN COMMUNISTS HAVE PREVENTED THE VIETNAMESE  
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PEOPLE FROM CONSOLIDATING THAT PEACE. IN PURSUIT OF ITS SCHEME TO SEIZE THIS SOUTH VIETNAM AT ANY COST, THE NVN COMMUNISTS, WITH THEIR SERVANTS IN THE SO- CALLED NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT, HAVE SYSTEMATICALLY FRUSTRATED THE JOINT PEACE. THEY HAVE COMPLETELY REJECTED OUR GOOD WILL EXPRESSED THROUGH OUR LIBERAL 10- POINT PROPOSAL OF APRIL 25, 1973, AND THEY CONTINUE TO INVADE AND SEIZE INHABITANTS, CAUSING DEATH AND SUFFERING AND DESTROYING THE ABUNDANT RESOURCES OF SOUTH VIETNAM.

25. NATURALLY, OUR SOLDIERS AND PEOPLE HAVE NOT ALLOWED THEM TO ACHIEVE THEIR OBJECTIVE OF DOMINATION, AND HAVE INFLICTED EXTREMELY HEAVY LOSSES ON THEM.

26. NOW, WITH OUR UTMOST GOODWILL FOR PEACE, AND TO PROVIDE GOOD OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE PEOPLE TO IMPLEMENT THEIR RIGHT OF SELF- DETERMINATION, ON THE BASIS OF ONE BALLOT PER PERSON THROUGH A FREE AND DEMOCRATIC GENERAL ELECTION, WE ARE PREPARED TO GIVE THE COMMUNISTS ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO PROVE THEIR GOOD WILL FOR PEACE AND STRICTLY TO IMPLEMENT THE AGREEMENT THEY HAVE SIGNED.

27. THROUGH THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE IN PARIS, WE, ONCE AGAIN, CONFIRM OUR DETERMINATION TO PROCEED TO ELECTIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, AFTER A REAL CEASEFIRE HAS TAKEN PLACE, SO AS TO BRING ABOUT A REAL AND LASTING PEACE FOR THE PEOPLE OF SVN.

28. WHETHER OR NOT THIS PEACE WILL COME ENTIRELY DEPENDS ON THE COMMUNISTS' ATTITUDE AND ACTIONS IN THE MONTHS TO COME. THAT RESPONSIBILITY THE COMMUNISTS MUST ASSUME BEFORE THE



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